

CITY OF MAROA

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CITY COUNCIL OPEN SESSION MINUTES MONDAY, JUNE 2ND, 2025

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Wilkey stated Alderperson Riley would not be attending the meeting tonight and Alderperson West is requesting to attend the meeting via Zoom due to being at work. There were no objections from Council.

• ROLL CALL:

Alderperson Monty Greutman	Present
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Present
Alderperson Mark Hunter	Present
Alderperson Blake West	Present - Remote
Alderperson Matt Riley	Not Present
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Present
Mayor Ryan Wilkey	Present
City Clerk Crystal Parrott	Present
City Administrator Ted Agee	Present
City Treasurer Randi Amettis	Present
Attorney Lindsey Wise	Not Present
Chief of Police Robert Fitzgerald	Present
Superintendent of Public Works Mike Hoffman	Present

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

- Led by Mayor Wilkey.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS:

- Kyle Amettis announced that Maroa Township is looking for someone to fill a vacant seat on the Community Building Board.
- Olivia Lily came tonight to see if there was an update regarding scooters. Dennis Hamilton stated that he has had some issues with scooters at the lumberyard.

Attorney Wise entered the meeting at 6:39 p.m.

MAY 5, 2025, OPEN MEETING MINUTES:

- Motion by Alderperson Grider to approve May 5, 2025, Open Meeting Minutes.
- Second by Alderperson Greutman.
- **MOTION TO APPROVE THE MAY 5, 2025, OPEN MEETING MINUTES.**

- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Aye
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Abstain
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Not Present
Alderperson Mark Hunter	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**

POLICE REPORT:

- The owner has completed repayment for the ordinance violation at 229 E Washington.
- The new medication drop box is in the process of being installed. It is now located in the clerk's office. This was relocated to control more of what is being dropped off. There was a considerable amount of unauthorized medications, needles, liquids, and garbage being deposited in the box. This box will now accept liquid medications and some inhalers. Chief Fitzgerald will be sending a message out to the community.
- There have been several large scale cases the Police Department has been working on, including two burglaries to motor vehicles, one burglary to a residence, criminal sexual abuse/assault of a juvenile and unemployment check/ID fraud.
- Officer Dean Hazen and Officer Phil Anello are continuing their part-time patrol training.

ATTORNEY REPORT:

- Attorney Wise stated that she will probably have to dismiss the Sosa 310 N. Pine case.
- Attorney Wise also stated she has also reviewed some contracts with Chief Fitzgerald.

ENGINEER REPORT:

No Report.

ADMINISTRATOR/ZONING REPORT:

- The obsolete Mitel phone system has been removed and replaced with two VTECH business phone systems. The Police Department now has its own system and is entirely independent from the City Hall lines. We have added a second line to the PD system, which will also serve as their fax line. Callers must dial 217-794-5526 to reach the Maroa Police Department for non-emergencies. While in this process, the Administrator and the Clerk were able to eliminate some unnecessary monthly charges and negotiate for a better rate. Even with the additional added line, our annual City Hall phone services costs should decrease by \$4,100.00. With the better rates, the annual Water Plant phone service costs should decrease by \$1,100.00.
- The frame for the handicap swing at Spencer Park has been installed. The swings should be mounted next week. Mike and the crew have been pressure washing the pavilion and preparing the area for the Park Program. We are still waiting for General Fence to begin the repairs and modifications to the court fencing. Once that is completed, the pickleball courts will be installed.
- At Young Park we can add a handicap swing to the set by adding a stub pipe to the existing frame. Administrator Agee is working on getting a quote for this addition.
- Unfortunately, we were not selected to receive an ITEP Cycle 16 grant for the proposed Wood Street and Main Street projects. This is a difficult grant to receive without first completing phase 1 engineering. Fortunately, IDOT announced a last-minute grant program, and we submitted two applications. The first is a request for a grant to replace all sidewalks (including ADA ramps and new curb and guttering) on Main Street from Wood Street to ~100 feet past Chestnut Street, as well as milling, resurfacing, and restriping the roadway. This is around a \$1.5 million project. The second is a request for \$275k to cover phase 1 engineering for the Wood Street project which was submitted to ITEP. The application gives priority to the Main Street project, and it does not appear matching funds will be required for this grant. Announcements are expected this August.
- The legal description for the Railroad Right of Way property is being created. Once that is completed, we will draft a purchase agreement for Council to approve.
- Judy Yunger and Rachael Lawson are due for re-appointment for the Planning and Zoning Board. Their terms will expire in May 2030. For the upcoming year, Rachael Lawson was selected to serve as the Presiding Officer and Kelly Mallory was selected to serve as Secretary.
- We will be submitting the 2nd request for reimbursement through the Lead Service Line Inventory Grant. This will be in the amount of \$15k and will go directly to the Water and Sewer Fund to cover expenses incurred.

- After looking through the new laws for the Electric Scooters, Bicycles, E-Bikes, ETC. it is recommended we modify our ordinances to match Illinois legislation. The best approach would be to either hold an informational public meeting or send a bulk mailer explaining State Law to prepare the community for the changes, then pass an ordinance with the necessary changes at the following meeting.
- As Administrator Agee was examining the scooter/low speed vehicle laws, he found some areas in our code which should be updated regarding golf carts and their requirements. Our code combines golf carts with all other low-speed-vehicles, but the Illinois requirements are slightly different. Administrator Agee will be drafting an ordinance adding “golf carts” under their own definition, along with their specific requirements.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT:

- Mike Hoffman and Wes Dunham’s tested for their pest-control operator licenses.
- There were back-to-back storm clean up events this past month.

OLD BUSINESS:

WELCOME SIGNS-ENTRANCE:

- Alderperson West would like it to be tabled to next month’s meeting because he is attending meeting VIA Zoom and is at work right now.

HIGH SCHOOL TROJANETTE SPONSORSHIP:

- There was discussion among the Council regarding donation options. Alderperson Bogle will reach out to the person who contacted her about the sponsorship and see if they will come to the next meeting. The Trojanette Sponsorship will be tabled to next month’s meeting.

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SCOOTERS/E-BIKES:

- Chief Fitzgerald stated that while he and Administrator Agee were going overlooking into the scooters and e-bikes they found several other items which will need to be changed to follow State law for motor vehicles on the road, including requiring car seats for young children on golf carts. Some of our residents do not have carts with this capability, but there are inexpensive seat belt kits for golf carts on Amazon that people could purchase to be following the Illinois law.
- You must be 18 years of age or older to legally ride a scooter on the road in the state of Illinois.
- Chief Fitzgerald described the different classes of E-bikes and it is recommended that no motorized scooters or E-bikes be allowed on the sidewalks.
- The Chief also suggested deciding which roads, if any, they would not be allowed to travel upon unless directly crossing.
- Agee stated they need the Council's input to draft a final ordinance.

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NEW BUSINESS:

**ORDINANCE 2025/06/02-1: COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION
ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 FOR THE CITY OF MAROA, MACON
COUNTY, ILLINOIS:**

- Motion by Alderperson Bogle to approve Ordinance 2025/06/02-1: Combined Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 for the City of Maroa, Macon County, Illinois.
- Second by Alderperson Hunter.
- **MOTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2025/06/02-1: COMBINED ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026 FOR THE CITY OF MAROA, MACON COUNTY, ILLINOIS.**
- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Aye
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Not Present
Alderperson Toni Stoutenborough	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**

ZONING APPOINTMENTS:

- Mayor Wilkey re-appointed Rachael Lawson and Judy Yunger to Planning and Zoning Board.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

FREEDOM FESTIVAL COMMITTEE:

- Alderperson West will reach out for a meeting.

HARVEST FESTIVAL COMMITTEE:

- Alderperson Bogle has been working on the Harvest Festival, but she will wait until after the Freedom Festival before giving any information out.

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BILLS:

MAY/JUNE 2025 BILLS WITH ADDITIONS OF WEX IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,351.03 & AMERICA PATRIOT PYRO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,713.81:

- Motion by Alderperson Bogle to approve paying the May/June 2025 Bills with Additions of Wex in the amount of \$1,351.03 & America Patriot Pyro in the amount of \$13,713.81.
- Second by Alderperson Greutman.
- **MOTION TO APPROVE PAYING THE MAY/JUNE 2025 BILLS WITH ADDITIONS OF WEX IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,351.03 & AMERICA PATRIOT PYRO IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,713.81.**

- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Aye
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Not Present
Alderperson Mark Hunter	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**

ADJOURN:

- Motion by Alderperson Grider to adjourn the meeting.
- Second by Alderperson Hunter.
- **MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.**

- **ROLL CALL:**

Alderperson Blake West	Aye
Alderperson Angela Bogle	Aye
Alderperson Jeremiah Grider	Aye
Alderperson Matt Riley	Not Present
Alderperson Mark Hunter	Aye
Alderperson Monty Greutman	Aye

- **MOTION CARRIED.**
- **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:38 p.m.**

APPROVAL RECORD:

**City of Maroa, Illinois
Meeting Minutes
Monday, June 2nd, 2025**

Crystal Parrott

Crystal Parrott, City Clerk

July 7, 2025

Date Approved

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